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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: MEETING BETWEEN PRESIDENT SADAT AND VICE PRESIDENT
ROCKEFELLER

1. FOLLOWING OUR TELECON, I GOT IN TOUCH WITH MARWAN IN RIYADH BY SECURE PHONE TO PASS ON YOUR COMMENTS. I NOTED THAT PRESIDENT FORD AND YOU CONSIDER IT OF GREAT IMPORTANCE THAT PRESIDENT SADAT AND THE VICE PRESIDENT MEET. SINCE THE VICE PPESIDENT WILL NOT ARRIVE IN JIDDA UNTIL EARLY EVENING AFTER A LONG FLIGHT, HE SHOULD HAVE A CHANCE TO OVERNIGHT THERE AND THEN PROCEED TO RIYADH TO PAY HIS COURTESY CALLS ON KING KHALED AND PRINCE FAHD. I OFFERED TWO ALTERNATIVES: A. PRESIDENT SADAT'S OVERNIGHTING IN RIYADH AND MEETING WITH VICE PRESIDENT AS SOON AS THE LATTER'S FORMAL CALLS ARE MADE, OR B. PRESIDENT SADAT'S GOING TO JIDDA TONIGHT TO MEET WITH THE VICE PRESIDENT.

2. MARWAN SAID HE HAD JUST BEEN IN TOUCH WITH AKINS ABOUT THIS MATTER. THEY HAVE WORKED OUT AN ARRANGEMENT WHEREBY THE VICE PRESIDENT WILL OVERNIGHT IN JIDDA, PROCEED TO RIYADH EARLY TOMORROW MORNING AND MEET WITH PRESIDENT SADAT AT 0930. THIS WOULD BE PRIOR TO THE VICE PRESIDENT'S CALLS ON KHALED AND FAHD.

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MARWAN SAID THIS ARRANGEMENT IS AGREEABLE TO THE

SAUDIS.

3. IT APPEARS THAT THE MATTER IS BEING RESOLVED
SATISFACTORILY AND A MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE TOMORROW
MORNING IN RIYADH.
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